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Dear Joe,

The day you wrote I left for a week of speeches and seminars at a college. I've just returned and the work is stacked.

Morrow is a fake, 100%.

I've little hope for the new committee or for responsibility from Stokes. They have been stupid, foolish and self-destructive to now. What will happen beginning this morning may change this view but unless what I've done to try to bring this about succeeds, as I do not expect, the prospects are not good.

After last year's thrombophlebitis I had to turn to others for help. One is Les Payne, a superb human being and a great reporter. He is black, the minority affairs reporter for Newsday.Right now he is in South Africa.

Les did the best possible job of carrying some of my King work forward. Newsday published and syndicated two articles. Lane ripped parts off incompetently and added his unique self-destructs to it and then conned the black caucus through Fauntroy. Les informed them all, including Stokes. As I recall he told me he also spoke to Stokes in particular about me two months ago. Stokes told him he'd be in touch. Silence since, from Stokes and all the black members, including Fauntroy to whom I wrote.

The committee has already been up to dirty-works I've aborted, with major help from Jim Lesar, who got tough with their chief counsel. They've backed off.

Aside from this Stokes has the free use of the Library of Congress and all its many and excellent services. If he is of serious mind he'd have had a staffer call the Library for what it could provide. If he'd done this he'd have learned of me automatically. He'd certainly have learned that I alone have written a book in opposition to the official account of the King assassination and that I alone have filed suit against the government for the suppressed evidence relating to it. So, aside from what Les Payne told him he had independent means of reaching me. He not only has not, he has refused to because Les did speak to him. I do not think you need any reading other than your own on this.

Maybe his intentions are as honest as you say. To me his competence at least is in question. If he associates with Lane at all on this he'll have not a scrap of paper or a single word more from me. I have given the staff much on King. But if he tells you that he'll consult with Lane two months after he knows Lane has misinformed them and is no more than an incompetent crook I do question his intentions.

Sorry about haste. Best regards,